

COUNCIL
Presbytery of Cincinnati
December 13, 2017

On December 13, at 6:10 PM, a stated meeting of the Presbytery Council was called to order at the presbytery office by Lisa Stenner with the lighting of the Christ Candle and selected verses from John 1:1-14 and opening prayer.

Formation of the Roll

The roll was formed. (P = present; E = excused absence; A = Absent) A quorum was present.

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE CLASS OF 2018		MEMBERS-AT-LARGE CLASS OF 2019		MEMBERS-AT-LARGE CLASS OF 2020	
Joellen Grady (RE)	P	Carol Burnett (RE)	P	Bill Bogdan (RE)	P
Frank Martin (RE)	E	Adam Fronczek (TE)	p	Carol Ferguson (TE)	P
Maurice Mitchell (TE)	E	Tyler Pettigrew (TE)	P	Bob Northcutt (RE)	P
Nancy Ross-Zimmerman (TE)	P	John Martin (RE)	P	Russell Smith (TE)	P

OFFICERS			REPRESENTIVES		
Bob Young (RE)	Moderator	P	Robert Sullivan (RE)	Personnel	A
Adam Fronczek (RE)	Vice-Moderator	P	Rob Heidenreich (RE)	Trustees	P
Lisa Stenner (TE)	Chair of Council	P			
Couper Gardiner (RE)	Treasurer	P	Nancy Kahaian (TE)	General Presbyter	P
			Erwin Goedicke (TE)	Interim Stated Clerk	P

Adoption of Agenda

MOTION PREVAILED to adopt the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION PREVAILED to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2017 Council meeting, after correcting the location of the upcoming May and September stated meetings of the presbytery.

Reports from Committees, Work Teams, Task Forces, Related Groups

1. *Communications*

Communications is no longer a functioning committee of the presbytery council, and is being handled within the presbytery office.

2. *Congregational Development Task Force*

MOTION PREVAILED

to approve the proposed Coaching Agreement (Appendix A) between The Missional Network and the Presbytery of Cincinnati, effective December 2017 through December 2018.

3. *Outdoor Ministry & Christian Education Scholarship Mission Team* (Lisa Stenner reporting)

Scholarships forms are available through Presbytery website.

4. *Presbyterian Youth Task Force* (Lisa Stenner reporting)
Senior High Youth retreat has been planned for February 2-3. More information will be forthcoming.
5. *Local Mission* (Tyler Pettigrew reporting)
 1. MOTION PREVAILED
to deny the request of the Greenhills Community church to refund their music education program in cooperation with local school system, but to ask them to pursue a partnership for this program with another Presbyterian church and resubmit the request in 2018.
 2. MOTION PREVAILED
to approve the request of the Practical Grace Non-Food Pantry (partnership between the Pleasant Run & Trinity churches) for \$12,000.
 3. MOTION PREVAILED
to approve the request of the MARCC for an additional \$1,000 to meet an end-of-year shortfall, and to inform MARCC that in 2018 support for MARCC will be a line item of the presbytery budget and therefore council will not entertain additional requests in 2018.
 4. MOTION PREVAILED
to approve the request for \$18,000 of a partnership between Crestview and Reading-Lockland for start-up costs to facilitate the worship service of Crestview to be live-streamed at Reading-Lockland (recognizing that this type of funding would more appropriately come from congregational development of transformation budget).

Reports from Officers and Staff

1. *Moderator* (Bob Young reporting)
 1. Preached at Carmel P.C.
 2. Attended the Transformation 2.0 meeting
 3. Participated in 2 the installations of Debra Whaley (pastor, Mt. Washington) and Greg Kennedy (pastor, Northminister)
 4. Participated in the final worship service of the Fairfax church.
 5. Appointed an Administrative Commission to close Norwood Presbyterian Church.
 6. Announced the planned MLK Service, January 14, 5-7 PM @ Mt. Auburn Presbyterian Church.
2. *Vice-Moderator* (Adam Fronczek reporting)
Expressed thanks for congratulations and love at birth of his son, Teddy, and gratitude on behalf of Knox church for the privilege of hosting the November meeting of presbytery.
3. *Interim Stated Clerk* (Erwin Goedicke reporting)

COM has called for a special meeting of the presbytery to be held January 9, 5:30 PM at North Presbyterian Church for the purpose of examining Hailey Malcolm for ordination and validating her call as chaplain and researcher at Children's Hospital Medical Center.

4. *General Presbyter* (Nancy Kahaian reporting)
 1. Provided a written report of her work. (Appendix B)
 2. Provided a description of planned workshops at the February 24 meeting of the presbytery (Appendix C)
 3. MOTION PREVAILED
to decline politely the request of Northminster Presbyterian Church to recognize its *Journey to Hope (JTH)* mission as a separate Presbyterian Non-Profit entity to be associated with the Board of Pensions; further to suggest to Northminster that they retain the director of *JTH* as a Northminster staff member (to be eligible of Board of Pension benefits) and that *JTH* contract with Northminster for her services.
 4. MOTION PREVAILED
that offerings from 2018 Presbytery meetings be designated to PC(USA) Mission Co-workers and to determine who those persons will be at the January council meeting.
NOTE: The plan would include a video chat with the person at the Presbytery meeting, prior to the collection of the offering. The purpose is that our Presbytery mission giving would go beyond ourselves.
 5. Genita Heidenreich has resigned as Financial Secretary and Margaret Sanchez has been hired to replace her.

Concluding Worship and Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM after closing prayer and communion led by Lisa Stenner.

FUTURE MEETINGS (typically third Wednesdays, 6:00 PM)

NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, January 17, 2017, 6:00 PM @ Presbytery Office

- Appendices***
- A - Presbytery of Cincinnati: Coaching Agreement
 - B - Report of the General Presbyter
 - C - Workshops for Officers and Leaders: Equipping the Saints for Ministry

Erwin Goedicke,
Interim Stated Clerk